

# TOLL BRIDGE PROGRAM OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

CALTRANS BAY AREA TOLL AUTHORITY CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

# **MEETING MINUTES**

October 30, 2007, 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM Caltrans Headquarters, Director's Conference Room, 1120 N Street, Sacramento, CA

Attendees: TBPOC Members: Will Kempton, Steve Heminger, and John Barna (via

telephone);

PMT Members: Tony Anziano, Andy Fremier, and Stephen Maller;

<u>Participants</u>: Ali Banani, Michele DiFrancia, Beatriz Lacson, Peter Lee, Brian Maroney, Bart Ney, Dina Noel, Judis Santos, Bijan Sartipi, and Ken Terpstra

Convened: 1:14 PM

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1.	<ul> <li>CHAIR'S REPORT</li> <li>The Chair complimented the team for the timely distribution of the quarterly reports to the Legislature.</li> </ul>	Action
2.	CONSENT CALENDAR  BATA presented the following for approval.  a. September 19, 2007 Meeting    Minutes  b. October 11, 2007 Conference Call    Minutes	• The TBPOC APPROVED, with a 2-0 vote (in the absence of CTC Executive Director, who was apprised accordingly when he joined the meeting at 1:40 PM via telephone), the September 19, 2007 Meeting Minutes, and October 11, 2007 Conference Call Minutes.
3.	<ul> <li>a. BATA presented the Draft October 2007 Monthly Progress Report for information.</li> <li>Approval of this report by the TBPOC through delegated authority to the PMT is anticipated as soon as updated expenditure data and final comments are incorporated.</li> </ul>	The TBPOC confirmed APPROVAL of the September 2007 Monthly Progress Reports through their respective PMT members on October 2, 2007.

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- b. BATA presented, for information, the Projected 3rd Quarter 2007 Report Production Schedule and the Draft Third Quarter Report, September 30, 2007.
- The TBPOC was requested to grant the PMT authority to approve the Third Quarter Report, September 30, 2007 on its behalf after appropriate reviews and final comments are received (by Friday, November 2). Issue date is November 14, 2007.
- Comments/discussion included:
  - o It was noted that page 6 of the report shows a West Approach completion date of Aug 09 when there are strong indications that this will occur earlier.
    - It was the consensus that the Quarterly Report should reflect the dates as they are determined on a timely basis.
    - The PIO indicated that an early delivery of the West Approach project will certainly be a news item as soon as it is released to the Legislature.
  - In response to the Chair's reminder that an update is due the Legislature soon, the PMT noted that a Legislative Update is being planned for February 21, 2008, as shown on the 2008 TBPOC Meeting Calendar.
    - Slipping this date as necessary was suggested in order to cover the status of the West Approach project.
  - It was noted that the Richmond-San Rafael Bridge will continue to be shown on this page 6 summary until the Public Access Project is completed.

- The TBPOC **AUTHORIZED** the PMT to approve the Third Quarter Report, September 30, 2007 on its behalf, as requested, with the following changes:
  - Modify the Project
     Complete Schedule
     Forecast date for SFOBB
     West Approach
     Replacement on page 6
     from Aug 09 to Jan 09
     (subject to validation by M.
     Forner/D. Turchon)
  - Add a line below the above item for Open to Traffic Date of Apr o8 (subject to validation by M. Forner/D. Turchon).
- The PIO to monitor dates and arrange for the appropriate press release communicating the earlier than forecast completion date of the West Approach Replacement Project.

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4. PROGRAM ISSUES	
a. TBSRP Capital Outlay Support	
(COS) Update	
<ul> <li>The Department and BATA gave a</li> </ul>	Staff of the Toll Bridge Finance
COS update and a slide presentation	Team (Ali Banani) to provide
covering the Current Budget Status,	the PMT a breakdown of the
FY COS Work Plan and Allocation	overhead rates presented.
Development Timeline, COS Risks,	
Risk Analysis and Risk Mitigation	
Strategies.	
Comments/discussion included:     COS including lineum and	
o COS, including known and planned expenditures, as well as	
identified risks, exceeds the	
AB144 Budget. This is primarily	
due to the addition of one year	
to the SAS schedule after the	
passage of AB144, increased	
overhead rates, and increased	
salary rates.	
o The Chair stressed the	
importance of working as a fully	
integrated team in the	
development and management	
of capital outlay support. BATA, CTC, and the Department are to	
work together in determining	
work together in determining work load levels and needs, work	
planning and the allocation	
development process.	
o In the absence of a structural	
approach being developed or	
outside help being solicited to	
measure efficiency, it is the	
Department's general	
observation that there is a high	
level of efficiency program-wide.	Toll Pridge Einense Teem to
<ul> <li>The presentation identified</li> <li>rising State Overhead Rates as a</li> </ul>	Toll Bridge Finance Team to include anticipated increased
risk.	cost in consultant overhead
<ul><li>The question arose as to the</li></ul>	rates.
appropriate level of Department	
support in China.	
> Overseas staffing is being	The Department to provide an
achieved via the graduated	update on the China operations

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approach (by ramping up gradually).

- With recent negative press covering China-made products, the Department assured the TBPOC that ZPMC is a qualified fabricator, being watched by ABF every step of the way.
- Caution was raised regarding pulling back on COS as this could negatively impact schedule; lack of resources could slowdown operations and disrupt early delivery.
- Accelerating the project schedule, however, could also help minimize the COS and achieve maximum savings.
- A chart outlining the COS
   Baseline, Risk Management
   Forecast, Potential Savings and
   Staffing Changes was handed out by the BATA Executive
   Director and discussed.
- Overall, develop an approach in managing COS and identify opportunities that we are not taking advantage of, redundant tasks, etc.
- b. SFOBB Coordination of Permit Requirements with Related External Planning
- The Department gave an overview of on-going and upcoming planning efforts regarding development of the Oakland Spit (the peninsula that currently houses the toll plaza and eastern end of the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge) involving the Department and various stakeholder agencies. The specific East Span efforts are based on permit and agreement requirements covering the following:

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staffing at the December 11, 2007 TBPOC meeting.

- The PIO/CPT to develop talking points to address public questions and concerns in this regard.
- The PMT to provide at the TBPOC December 11, 2007 meeting a further evaluation of the following:
  - Opportunity Schedule: potential related cost savings from schedule acceleration.
  - 2. Level of Staffing/ Overlay: Identify the cost of support that District and Headquarters personnel provide, level and reason for their involvement. Assess consultants, BATA/BAMC numbers, as
  - 3. China: Evaluate levels of staffing (vis-a-vis number of ABF personnel), analyze assumptions and identify potential cost savings.

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<ul> <li>San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission (BCDC) Permit 8-01 (public access requirements) and</li> <li>Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA).</li> <li>Comments/discussion included:         <ul> <li>The Department has initiated a research and coordination effort involving interested parties.</li> <li>It was suggested that the TBPOC consider hosting a meeting early next year, on-site, with key stakeholders, to expand on the initial planning and research efforts.</li> <li>This will provide an opportunity to brainstorm ideas and participate in an open dialogue about the future of the Gateway Park site.</li> <li>The Department provided a preliminary list of potential invitees.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	• The TBPOC AGREED to host a coordination meeting on-site, in early 2008, with key stakeholders. Ensure that during the meeting, expectations are managed and the results of the meeting serve as a historical document.
5. SAN FRANCISCO-OAKLAND BAY BRIDGE (SFOBB) UPDATES  a. Yerba Buena Island  1) Update: Labor Day Weekend Closure for Detour West Tie-In Work/YBI Viaduct Replacement  • Agenda item deferred.  2) The Department presented the following Contract Change Orders to the TBPOC to confirm their approval: a) CCO No. 91 Supplement 1 – \$8,463,159 for additional time- related overhead (TRO) associated with the significant extension of the duration of this contract;	• The TBPOC <b>APPROVED</b> CCO Nos. 91 S1 and 73, as presented, with the incorporation of BATA-requested revisions to the CCO 73 memorandum.

**Items** Action b) CCO No. 73 - \$62,958,990 for the balance of the remaining advance foundation work for the YBITS. The above two CCO's are included in the Implementation Memo approved by the TBPOC on July 27, 2007, which covers all currently known CCO's needed for the various elements of work on YBI Detour and Transition Structure advance work currently estimated at \$334 million. 2) Budget Balance Beam (BBB) The Department presented an Revise the YBI Detour (SSD) updated BBB based on a new risk forecast in the 4th Quarter. management analysis performed Revise approach to forecasting consistent with the breakdown of schedule and budget. Present the categories of work defined in the current TBPOC protocol the Implementation Memo. and how we approach The BBB shows a forecast at forecasting to date and completion of \$400 million. compare with how we would \$66.56 million more than approach forecasting if we currently budgeted. A forecast were to implement a revision in the 4th Quarter is new/revised method. anticipated with the likely Provide/walk through an occurrence of certain defined example. risks. The PMT to develop approach and present to the TBPOC at the December 11, 2007 meeting. b. SAS and OTD General Update Agenda item deferred. c. Project-Specific Insurance The Department summarized the The PMT to confer with the background, key issues, options Joint Venture to determine and cost to replace the projectwhat options are available to specific professional liability the TBPOC, and present again

Project (ESSSP).
Comments/discussion included:

SFOBB East Span Seismic Safety

The Department recommends

insurance procured for the

to the TBPOC, and present agi to the TBPOC for action on December 11, 2007.

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that the TBPOC approve re-	
negotiating a replacement	
program now to obtain a	
reasonable amount of savings	
and maintain good relations	
with the Joint Venture.	
d. Jones Act	
<ul> <li>Agenda item deferred.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>The TBPOC requested that</li> </ul>
Ü	written memos be provided for
e. Skyway Project Closeout	the "For Information Only"
<ul> <li>Agenda item deferred.</li> </ul>	agenda items.
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6. NEW BENICIA-MARTINEZ BRIDGE	
a. BASE Security System	
BATA presented, for TBPOC	The TBPOC <b>APPROVED</b> the
approval, the transfer of \$3.0 million	transfer of \$3.0 million from
	the New Benicia-Martinez
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in available contract contingency funds from the New Benicia- Martinez Bridge Contract (04- 00603_) to a Director's Order to install the Bay Area Security Enhancement (BASE) System on the new bridge (04-4A740_).  • Comments/discussion included:  • The Department's District 4 Maintenance staff has been working with the California Highway Patrol to develop a security plan for the new bridge as part of the overall BASE Project. Currently, there is no security on the bridge.  • The Department has requested an allocation of \$3.0 million to fund the installation of the BASE system on the new bridge. To expedite the work, the contract would be advertised as a "Director's Order".  • It was noted that invoking the Director's Order is a serious matter and not to be taken lightly.  • BATA proposes to transfer	the New Benicia-Martinez Bridge Contract to install the Bay Area Security Enhancement (BASE) System on the new bridge, as presented, with the following direction to staff:  Further analyze the use of Director's Order vs. the direct bid process, to ensure that the former is not being invoked needlessly.

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	available Regional Measure I funds from the New Benicia-Martinez Bridge Contract (04-00603_) to the BASE Security Cameral Contract (04-4A740_). The transfer would not impact the overall budget for the New Benicia-Martinez Bridge Project.  The BASE cameras would be installed at various locations around the bridge, and is not expected to impact traffic.	
7•	<ul> <li>Other Business</li> <li>The TBPOC reconvened in the Chair's office for a closed-door discussion.</li> </ul>	

Adjourned: 4:00 PM

# **APPROVED BY:**

WILL KEMPTON, Director California Department of Transportation

Date

JOHN F. BARNA, Jr., Executive Director California Transportation Commission

Date

STEVE HEMINGER, Executive Director

Bay Area Toll Authority

Date